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General Carter

Attached is a proposed reply to Honorable Horace Busby in response to his request dated March 26, 1965 that Department and Agency heads report actions taken within their organizations to implement the objectives of the Natural Beauty Program of the Administration.

Request your signature.

Signed

L. K. White

22 APR 1965

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26 APR 1965

**The Honorable Horace Busby
Special Assistant to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C. 20505**

Dear Mr. Busby:

This letter is in response to your memorandum of 26 March 1965 regarding the Administration's Natural Beauty Program.

One of the principal factors considered in the selection of the Langley location for our Headquarters building was the rural character of the area. In cooperation with the General Services Administration, our original plans provided for the planting of trees, shrubs, and lawns, which has developed our Headquarters area into a very attractive site. Several pictures reflecting the results of these efforts are attached.

We are fortunate to have the George Washington Memorial Parkway as a main access route to our Headquarters building. This Agency sought and received appropriations in the amount of \$8.5 million for the construction of this Parkway from Spout Run to our Headquarters building. It is also our policy to support all National Park Service efforts to maintain this Parkway as a showpiece of natural beauty.

This Agency occupies one building in the [redacted] which was renovated for our use in 1963. What was formerly a warehouse-type building has been converted into a very attractive office building, and the over-all appearance has been substantially improved by the planting of a number of trees and shrubs in the entrance ways and on the limited adjacent ground.

Some elements of this Agency are still located in temporary buildings in the Potomac Park area. One of our principal objectives is to move from

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these buildings at the earliest possible date in order to permit their demolition. We also hope to beautify the area around 2430 E Street, N. W. after completion of the approaches to the Theodore Roosevelt Bridge.



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I wholeheartedly endorse the objectives of the President's Natural Beauty Program, and you may be assured that the Central Intelligence Agency will support it in every possible way.

Faithfully yours,

/s/
Marshall S. Carter
Lieutenant General, USA
Deputy Director

Attachments

CONCURRENCE:

(SIGNED)

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Deputy Director for Support

Date

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